

CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STUDENT ASSESSMENT NEWS

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District Test Coordinator Workshops

<u>District Test Coordinator Workshops</u> are scheduled for January 20 – 22, 2016, at the Institute of Technology and Business Development (ITBD) in New Britain. Training will be provided for the administration of the Smarter Balanced Assessments for English language arts/literacy and mathematics, CMT/CAPT Science, CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist Science, and the Connecticut Alternate Assessments (CTAA) for English language arts and mathematics. District Test Coordinators will be provided with information to support training School Coordinators and Test Administrators.

Registration is limited to two attendees per district.

District Test Coordinator Workshops					
Wednesday,	Thursday,	Thursday,	Friday,		
January 20, 2016	January 21, 2016	January 21, 2016	January 22, 2016		
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.		
<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>		

Connecticut SAT School Day

Connecticut SAT Student Registration and Entering Requests for Student Accommodations

The <u>Directions for Connecticut SAT Student Registration and Entering Requests for Student Test Accommodations</u> is included in the January 11, 2016, memo.

Connecticut SAT School Day Key Dates				
E-mail notification of Attending Institution (AI) Codes and Test Center Codes	January 15, 2016			
E-mail notification of SAT Online Roster access codes and instructions	Week of January 18, 2016			
List of unregistered students available in PSIS	January 19, 2016			
Registration materials arrive at schools	January 19, 2016			
Accommodations requests submitted in SSD Online for schools with AI codes • College Board Accommodations	Now – February 8, 2016			
Connecticut State Allowed Accommodations	January 15 – February 15, 2016			
Accommodations requests submitted in SSD Online for schools with newly created AI codes.				
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Test Center Supervisor Training	January 19, 20 and 22, 2016			









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Complete paper registration forms	January 19 – February 1, 2016	
Return paper registration forms to College Board via courier	February 1, 2016	
Test Day Training Webinars	February 1– 12, 2016	
Test Materials arrive at schools	February 26, 2016	
Connecticut SAT School Day Administration	March 2, 2016	
Connecticut SAT School Day Makeup Administration	April 27, 2016	

Connecticut SAT School Day: Test Center Supervisor Training Session

Connecticut SAT Test Center Supervisor training sessions will be held on the dates and times listed below at the ITBD in New Britain. Participants will be provided with information regarding policies and procedures associated with the 2016 administration of the Connecticut SAT School Day to Grade 11 students. The training session is intended for District Test Coordinators and Test Center Supervisors (School Test Coordinators). District Test Coordinators and Test Center Supervisors should register by January 15, 2016.

Test Center Supervisor Training Session					
Tuesday,	Tuesday,	Wednesday,	Friday,		
January 19, 2016	January 19, 2016	January 20, 2016	January 22, 2016		
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.		
<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>	<u>Register</u>		

Connecticut SAT School Day Administration Information

The following Connecticut SAT School Day resources are available on the CSDE Web site (www.ct.gov/sde/SAT).

- Connecticut SAT School Day Implementation Presentation
- Accommodations for Connecticut SAT School Day Presentation
- Brochure for Families and Students
- Frequently Asked Questions for Superintendents
- Frequently Asked Questions for Districts & Schools
- Connecticut SAT School Day Letter for Parents/Guardians

Connecticut Smarter Balanced

Testing Window Finalized

The Connecticut Smarter Balanced Assessment window was recently finalized based on a Connecticut Superintendent Survey. The Connecticut Smarter Balanced Assessments for English language arts/literacy and Mathematics for Grades 3 – 8 testing window is March 15 – June 10, 2016.

Elimination of the Classroom Activity

Beginning with the 2016 administration, the Classroom Activity is no longer a required part of the Connecticut Smarter Balanced Assessments. The decision to eliminate the Classroom Activity was made based on feedback from practitioners in the field and content experts. This elimination will reduce testing time by an estimated 30 minutes per content area.



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Special Populations Information

- All accommodations should be entered in <u>TIDE</u> by Friday, March 4, 2016.
- Special accommodations requests must be received by the CSDE by Friday, March 4, 2016.
- Text will be highlighted as it is being read by the text-to-speech feature.

Connecticut Alternate Assessments (CTAA) and CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist Science

Special Populations Information

- Teachers are required to be trained to administer the CTAA and the CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist Science. The Online 2015-2016 CSDE CTAA & CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist Science Training will remain available until March 1, 2016.
- The <u>CTAA and CMT/CAPT Skills Checklists Science Eligibility & Learner Characteristics Inventory</u> (<u>LCI</u>) must be entered into the Data Entry Interface (DEI) by **Monday, February 15, 2016**.
- The CMT/CAPT Skills Checklist Science data must be entered into DEI from March 1 29, 2016.

CMT/CAPT Science

Special Populations Information

Students who receive the text-to-speech, computer response test mode, or speech-to-text
accommodation for the CMT or CAPT Science must have the Online Test Mode selected in the
TIDE test settings. Refer to the Marking a Student as an Online Tester for the CMT/CAPT Science
brochure for additional information.

Register for email updates

To automatically receive the *Student Assessment News* and/or other announcements, <u>register for e-mail updates</u> on the Comprehensive Assessment Program Portal.

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